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The Cornerstone Box

In preparing for this Ceremony, a careful selection of documents and other materials for sealing within the Cornerstone of the new Central Intelligence Agency Building has been made. At some future date, when opened, the box will provide items of historic interest concerning the Central Intelligence Agency, and appropriate items in connection with today's Ceremony at which the President of the United States honors us by laying the Cornerstone.

Contents of the Cornerstone box include:

1. Memorandum for President Franklin D. Roosevelt from Major General William J. Donovan, Director of the Office of Strategic Services, dated 18 November 1944, regarding the establishment of a permanent centralized intelligence service and Memorandum from President Roosevelt to General Donovan, dated 5 April 1944, directing that General Donovan discuss his plan with the appropriate officials of the Government.
2. President Harry S. Truman's Executive Letter of 22 January 1946, establishing the National Intelligence Authority and the Central Intelligence Group.
3. Statement of General (then Lieutenant General) Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Director of Central Intelligence, before the Senate Committee on Armed Services, on 29 April 1947, in support of the sections of the proposed National Security Act of 1947 to establish the Central Intelligence Agency.
4. A Text and Explanation of Statutes and Executive Orders relating specifically to the Central Intelligence Agency, including Enabling and Appropriations Acts for the construction of the new CIA Building.
5. Reproduction of the CIA seal and its official description.
6. "William J. Donovan and the National Security." A speech by Allen W. Dulles, Director of Central Intelligence, to the Erie County Bar Association, Buffalo, New York, 4 May 1959.
7. An aerial photograph of the area of the CIA Building site.
8. Drawings of the CIA Building as it will appear when completed.
9. The Program, a recording, and photographs of the Cornerstone Ceremony.
10. Microfilm copies of daily and weekly newspapers of 3 November 1959.

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REMARKS BY ALLEN W. DULLES
DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
AT THE
CORNERSTONE CEREMONY
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY HEADQUARTERS BUILDING
11:30 A.M., November 3, 1959

The laying of this cornerstone marks an important stage in the growth of the Central Intelligence Agency. We will soon have a home of our own, in these inspiring surroundings high above the Potomac.

The Agency was established 12 years ago by the same Act of Congress which created the National Security Council and the Department of Defense. Thus the Central Intelligence Agency was recognized as one of the important elements in our national security structure.

World War II and its aftermath and the international communist threat had already brought home to us that our vital interests were at stake in places as distant as Korea, and Laos, in Africa and the Islands of the Pacific, as well as in this Hemisphere and in Europe.

Since then, our country's ever expanding responsibilities have increased the need for better information from the four corners of the earth and for sound analysis of that information.

The law creating the Agency was voted by a Congress in which there was a Republican majority. It was sponsored and signed by a Democratic President. For the past crucial years it has had the unfailing support of a Republican President and a Democratic Congress.

Facts have no politics.

Our charter, in the carefully drafted provisions of the National Security Act, has undergone no change. It provides that, under the direction

of the President and of the National Security Council, the Agency shall correlate and evaluate intelligence relating to the national security, and perform such additional services of common concern in this field as the National Security Council may direct.

Wisely this legislation provides that we should have no domestic internal security functions. Yet the scope of the jurisdiction granted is ample. Our work is broad and comprehensive enough to enlist the interest and to inspire the devotion of those who choose, and are chosen, to enter upon it.

Laws can create agencies of government; they cannot make them function. Only the high purpose and dedication of all serving them can weld them into effective instruments for our national security.

In this work of intelligence we must not forget that human beings are largely the creatures of their beliefs. As individuals we tend instinctively, and sometimes wistfully, to become attached to causes, to theories, to solutions.

If they be sound and enduring, based on the deep moral strivings of man and the highest conception of our national interests, let us cling to them. But in the field of our relations with our fellowmen abroad, let us assure ourselves, through accurate intelligence, that our attachments to policies are soundly based.

It is the particular duty of this Agency to help perform this function in a world where change is the rule rather than the exception. This task must be carried out fearlessly, without warping to meet our prejudices or our predilections or even the tenets of existing policy.

As we build a new edifice in which to house, to concentrate and coordinate our work, we must rededicate ourselves to this high purpose.

The guiding motto to be inscribed on the face of this building will be the words taken from the Gospel according to St. John: "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

The President of the United States has graciously consented to lay the cornerstone.

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CHECKLIST FOR PRESIDENTIAL AND/OR VICE PRESIDENTIAL
VISITS TO HEADQUARTERS COMPOUND

	<u>ACTION</u>
1. Invitations/guest lists/programs	Protocol
2. Ushers/usherettes and hosts/hostesses	Protocol
3. Coordination with press	PAO
4. Communications support and related coordination with White House	OC
5. Medical emergency support	OMS
6. Physical security and coordination with Secret Service	OS
7. Signing for hearing impaired	OP
8. Scenario	Event Coordinator
9. Videotaping/photography	OL
10. Facilities for the press (e.g., space, food, and telephones)	OL
11. Printing/sign generation	OL
12. Facility booking and support (e.g., food service)	OL
13. Parking and transportation	OL

Secret Service Special Requirements:

No waiting by President or Vice President for elevator (use a holding room).

President's and Vice President's walking and exit paths always clear.

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In preparing for this Ceremony, employees of the Agency were asked to make suggestions for documents and other materials for sealing within the Cornerstone of the new addition to the Central Intelligence Agency Building. From these suggestions a selection was made of items which best provide a historic perspective as well as current examples of Agency endeavors. At some future date, when opened, the box will provide items of historic interest concerning the Central Intelligence Agency and today's ceremony at which the Vice President of the United States honors us by laying the Cornerstone.

Contents of the Cornerstone box include:

1. A copy of the CIA Credo which sets forth the objectives and ideals governing our work in Intelligence.
2. A CIA Medallion which is representative of that given to all employees upon retirement from service.
3. The Program, Photo Booklet and text of President Reagan's speeches to covert and overt employees at the Groundbreaking Ceremony on 24 May 1984.
4. A copy of the current edition of the CIA Fact Book containing political, geographic and economic facts of all other countries in the world.
5. The Publication, Directors and Deputy Directors of CIA: Dates and Data 1946-1983.
6. A miniature agent camera and crypto chip with a brief description of their use and technology employed.
7. An aerial photograph of the CIA Headquarters complex before construction of the new building.
8. An artists rendition of the new building as it will appear when completed.
9. Remarks of the DCI, William J. Casey, at Westminster College in Fulton, Missouri, on 29 October 1983.
10. Remarks of the DDCI, John N. McMahon, at the memorial service for Beirut Embassy victims on 29 April 1983.
11. The Program and Vice President's remarks at the Cornerstone Ceremony on 1 November 1985.